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PLAGUE-PREVENTION WORK.

PLAGUE-INFECTED SQUIRRELS FOUND.

During the week ended July 6, 1912, positive diagnosis was made of 147 plague-infected ground squirrels found in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, Cal., as follows: Alameda County—June 20, 2 squirrels; July 1, 1 squirrel; July 2, 4 squirrels; July 3, 4 squirrels. Contra Costa County—June 19, 2 squirrels; June 20, 2 squirrels; June 25, 1 squirrel; June 29, 17 squirrels; July 1, 24 squirrels; July 2, 37 squirrels; July 3, 15 squirrels; July 5, 20 squirrels; July 6, 18 squirrels.

DISTRIBUTION OF POISON.

In connection with the making and maintenance of a squirrel-free zone around the cities of California on San Francisco Bay, 4,005 acres of land in Alameda County were covered with poison during the week ended July 6, 1912.

RECORD OF PLAGUE INFECTION.

Places	Date of last case of human plague.	Date of last case of rat plague.	Date of last case of squirrel plague.	Total number of rodents found infected since May, 1907.
California: Cities—	T	0 / 00 1000	77	000
San Francisco Oakland	Jan. 30, 1908	Oct. 23, 1908	None	398 rats. 126 rats.
Berkelev	Aug. 9, 1911 Aug. 27, 1907	None	dodo	None.
Los Angeles	Aug. 11, 1908	do		1 squirrel.
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Alameda (exclusive of Oakland and Berke- ley).	Sept. 26, 1909	Wood rat, Oct. 17, 1909.	June 26, 1912	226 squirrels and 1 wood rat.
Contra Costa	July 21, 1911	None	June 28, 1912	733 squirrels.
Fresno	None	do	Oct. 27, 1911	1 squirrel.
Merced	do	do	July 13, 1911	5 squirrels.
Monterey	do	do	Aug. 6, 1911	
San Benito	June 5, 1910	do	June 8, 1911	
San Joaquin	Sept. 18, 1911	do	Aug. 26, 1911	18 squirrels.
San Luis Obispo	None	do	Jan. 29. 1910	1 squirrel.
Santa Clara	Aug. 23, 1910	dodo	Oct. 5, 1910	23 squirrels.
Santa Cruz	None	do		3 squirrels.
Stanislaus	do	do	June 2, 1911	13 squirrels.
Louisiana:				
City— New Orleans	do	July 27, 1912	None	1 rat.
Washington:		July 21, 1912	моще	1 100.
City—				
Seattle	Oct. 30, 1907	Sept. 21, 1911	None	25 rats.

RATS COLLECTED AND EXAMINED FOR PLAGUE INFECTION.

WEEK ENDED JULY 6, 1912.

Places.	Found dead.	Total collected.	Exam- ined.	Found infected.
California: Cities— Berkeley. Oakland. San Francisco. Washington: City— Seattle.	17 3 95	1 152 2 595 41,757	71 330 1,503	None. None. None.

- Identified: Mus norvegicus, 111, Mus musculus, 41.
 Identified: Mus norvegicus, 502, Mus musculus, 93.
 These rats were taken from the steamer Nippon Maru after fumigation.
 Identified: Mus norvegicus, 1,025, Mus rattus, 246, Mus musculus, 253, Mus alexandrinus, 233.

SQUIRRELS COLLECTED AND EXAMINED FOR PLAGUE INFECTION.

During the week ended July 6, 1912, 91 squirrels from Alameda County, 1,029 from Contra Costa County, and 12 from Stanislaus County, Cal., were examined for plague infection. Eleven from Alameda County and 136 from Contra Costa County were found infected.

CEREBROSPINAL MENINGITIS.

CASES AND DEATHS REPORTED BY CITY HEALTH AUTHORITIES FOR THE WEEK ENDED JULY 20, 1912.

City.	Cases.	Deaths.	City.	Cases.	Deaths.
Boston, Mass. Chicago, Ill. Cleveland, Ohio Duluth, Minn. Haverhill, Mass. Kalamazoo, Mich.	2 1 1 1 1	1 1	Los Angeles, Cal. New York, N. Y. Orange, N. J. Philadelphia, Pa. Pittsburgh, Pa. St. Louis, Mo.	3 13 1 1 1	1 4

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City.	Cases.	Deaths.	City.	Cases.	Deaths.
Cleveland, Ohio Harrisburg, Pa. Los Angeles, Cal. Milwaukee, Wis. New York, N. Y Oakland, Cal. Philadelphia, Pa. Pittsburgh, Pa.	1 3 3 16	2 1 1	Reading, Pa Saginaw, Mich Seattle, Wash St. Louis, Mo San Francisco, Cal Wheeling, W. Va Yonkers, N. Y	1 2 4	i

LEPROSY.

During the week ended July 20, 1912, I case of leprosy was reported at San Francisco, Cal.

PELLAGRA.

During the week ended July 20, 1912, pellagra was reported as follows: Baltimore, Md., 1 death; Houston, Tex., 1 death; Pasadena, Cal., 1 death; Richmond, Va., 1 case; Wilmington, N. C., 1 case.